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The Bank of England is not, as most people think, a government institution. It is a private company, but reaps a good profit by acting as the nation's banker. The remuneration paid to the Bank of England for the management of the national debt was fixed in 1906 as a yearly sum of the rate of £325 per million pounds and at the rate of £100 for every million pounds above this amount.

Before any of the government money that goes into the Bank of England can be spent a certain procedure has to be followed. First of all an order signed by the king and countersigned by two lords of the treasury has to be forwarded to the comptroller and auditor general of the exchequer and audit department. Then the comptroller hands an order to the treasury authorizing the Bank of England to debit the exchequer account and credit the account of the paymaster general, who makes all payments on behalf of the various departments.

Afterward the comptroller scrutinizes all the accounts paid to see that the money has been spent in accordance with the wishes of parliament.—Westminster Gazette.

Training Naval Gunners.

When England trains her gunners for the sea she sends them to Whale Island in Portsmouth harbor. Here the entire island is given over to steel sheds which are built like gun turrets on a battleship. The great guns projecting from these sheds are dummies, though they are exact counterparts of those on a battleship. The prospective officers and men are made to go through the exercise of range finding, loading, aiming and "firing" these guns as rigidly as if they were in a real battle at sea. The heavy steel projectiles are hauled from the magazine by hydraulic and electric cranes, just as in an actual ship. A real breech mechanism locks the projectile and its powder charge in the gun, while an intricate system of steel swings the gun into the firing position.—Popular Science Monthly.

Remarkable Luck.

In Gold Hill, Nev., in 1877, one of the mining bosses—Tule by name—had trouble with some of the laborers in his mine. One night three of them attacked him in a barroom. Two of them pined him down, while a third stood over him with a revolver. The muzzle almost touched his stomach. Once, twice, thrice, a fourth and a fifth time the weapon snapped. Tule closed his eyes. Each moment he expected to be his last. The discarded ruffian threw his disappointing weapon on the floor with an oath and, joined by his aids, left the place. Tule wiped the cold sweat from his brow, mechanically picked up the discarded weapon, went to the door and fired off every charge, remarking that it was just his luck.

How He Cleared Himself.

While passing along a busy street in Dublin a lady was relieved of her hand bag and Sandy was arrested on suspicion of having snatched it. He was placed among a group of men, and the lady was asked to single out the culprit. She passed down the line till she came to Sandy.

"Officer," she said, "I think that is the man, although I did not see his face, but his clothes appear to be similar."

"The lady's wrong, sir. I was wearing a different suit. Can I go now, sir?" said Sandy.

Vary Formal.

"Are you on very friendly terms with your neighbor in the apartments?"

"Well, no. She's rather formal—always sends her card when she wishes to borrow flour, and if she wants both flour and sugar she sends two cards."—Washington Herald.

Stunning.

"Oh, Effie, your new gown and hat are stunning!"

"Yes, Alfred hasn't recovered yet from the shock the bill gave him."—Essex Stage.

A Good Rule.

Do all the good you can to all the people you can as long as ever you can in every place you can.

Our deeds determine us as much as we determine our deeds.—George Elliot.



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Notice To Creditors.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Mary A. Jones, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Walter J. Jones has been appointed administrator of the estate of Mary A. Jones, deceased, and has qualified as such. All persons having claims against her estate are required to present them with proper vouchers according to law to the said administrator at his residence, 318 Market Street, Pendleton, Oregon, or to Will M. Peterson, his attorney, in the Smith Crawford Building, Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, which is Friday, the 12th day of October, 1917.

Dated this 10th day of October, A. D. 1917.

Walter J. Jones, Administrator.
Will M. Peterson, Attorney for Administrator.

ROMANCE OF COAL.

Some of the Products This Complex Material Yields to Man.

Coal seems to be rather an uninteresting thing. Who would imagine that the great, ugly black lumps could afford any one a subject worthy of study? And yet this same coal has given civilization many of its greatest possessions. The beautiful pink stars worn by women are colored with dyes that come from coal. The gas used to illuminate and to heat our homes is a product of the distillation of coal. Valuable chemicals, such as benzine, naphthalene and toluene, are coal products. The tar used in paving streets and protecting roofs from rain is also a byproduct of the commercial treatment of coal, and finally aniline, the basis of aniline dyes and coloring materials, is one of the valuable chemicals contained in coal.

Coal is indeed one of the most complex materials to be found in all nature. To learn what it is we must go back to the dim, geological ages. The luxuriant vegetation of these past times, untrammelled by human feet and swept by human hands, year after year grew, bloomed, faded and decayed, forming deep beds of rotted, woody fiber.

By degrees certain gases, such as hydrogen and oxygen, were partly lost from the mass of vegetable material. Pressure and heat converted this material into what we know as coal.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The Clithern.

The clithern, a musical instrument resembling the guitar, mentioned in I Maccabees iv, 34, employed by the Children, was probably introduced into Palestine by the Hebrews after their return from the Babylonian captivity.

Her Chance.

He (just to make conversation)—Do you think opals are unucky? She—I should prefer a diamond if it's all the same to you.—Boston Transcript.

Essential.

"What is a she: the?"
"A man who always puts paste on the back of a postage stamp."—Puck.
"Pop, tell me one thing."
"What is it, son?"
"Is the line that ships have to cross on the sea where they have the ocean's wab?"—Baltimore American.

Jeys That Come in Reaching the Peak and Getting Back to Camp.

A great deal has been written by mountaineers about the joys of climbing, says Walter Richard Eaton in Harper's Magazine. The joys of climbing are often a good deal like those of heavy dumbbell exercises. In Glacier park you want to sing the joys of climbing back to camp in the afternoon and looting on a bed of balsam boughs, with your tent flap open wide to the view of lupines and violets in the meadow and distant snow capped peaks beyond. You want to sing the joys of fragrant food and steaming tea, of twilight slowly gathering as though so fair a day were reluctant to depart.

To ascend a peak, to sit the tumbled world at its waist, to sit again in camp tired and warmed with food, to hear with one ear the camp cook telling bear stories, with the other the birdlike calls of the ground squirrels, to smell the seductive wood smoke and the balsams, to catch now and then the tinkle of little ice water brooks from the snowfields, to watch the sunset blush on Heaven's peak and the stars come slowly out above the battlements of the divide—well, that is, I fear, to spoil you for any other life.

The little ice water brooks sing a siren song in the uplands starred with violets, and wee to him whose ears have heard! He can never be quite happy again east of the Great Divide.

An Aged Gander.

The birds that live to a great age are comparatively few. Gulls have been known to reach forty years, parrots frequently live eighty years and swans nearly as long. Ravens and owls usually die somewhat younger, but there is good reason to believe that eagles and falcons sometimes live more than a hundred years. Of lammyard Lewis ducks and geese live longest. D. MacLachlan, of Inish, Scotland, writes to the Field that he has a gander that is now sixty-six years old. For fifty-five years it belonged to the proprietor of a hotel at Bridgend, Scotland. Twenty-one years ago the father-in-law of the present owner bought it. Mr. MacLachlan says that the gander looks as well and as young and seems as active as it ever did. There is no doubt about its age.

Her Adopted Name.

They were discussing the peculiarities of names, and Blotzen suddenly said:
"By the way, Cox! your wife's got a queer name, hasn't she—Duty? Where did she get that name Duty?"
"Oh, she adopted it," replied Mr. Cox. "She claims that every married woman's middle name is Duty, because she is either being done or neglected."—London Mail.

Explained.

"I know a man who is very successful in business, and yet all his customers know his talk about his goods is chiefly hot air."
"How does he manage to fool them, then?"
"He doesn't. He deals in furnaces."—Baltimore American.

Share Identity.

"Cedipus has a little white hen that lays an egg every day."
"I guess he's proud of that bird."
"I'm not the name for it. Why, man, he has had a photographic record made of her eggs."—Birmingham Herald.

Notice of Final Account.

In the county court of the state of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of John L. Price, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Mary E. Price, administratrix of the estate of John L. Price, deceased, filed with the County Clerk of Umatilla County, Oregon, her final account and report in the administration of the estate of John L. Price, deceased, on the 29th day of July, 1917; that the County Court, by order duly made and entered on the 15th day of September, 1917, appointed Tuesday the 23rd day of October, 1917, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the County Court House of Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place where all objections and exceptions to the said final account and report will be heard and a settlement thereof made. Dated this 20th day of September, A. D. 1917.

Mary E. Price, Administratrix.
Will M. Peterson, Attorney for Administratrix.

Notice to Creditors.

In the County Court of Umatilla County, State of Oregon. In the Matter of the Estate of Henry Pinkerton, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the above court, executrix of the above entitled estate, and has qualified as by law required. All persons having claims against the above named estate are hereby notified to present the same to me, with proper vouchers, at the office of my Attorney, Homer I. Watts at his office in Athena, Oregon, within six months from the date thereof. Dated this 31st day of August, 1917.

E. J. Pinkerton,
Executrix of the estate of Henry Pinkerton, deceased.

Notice Of Final Report.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Maurice M. Johns, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final report in the above entitled estate with the clerk of the above entitled court, and that the judge of said court has designated Monday, the 1st day of October, 1917, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the office of the County Judge in the County Court House at Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place when and where hearing shall be had thereon. All persons interested are notified to then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the report should not be approved, the administrator with will annexed discharged, and his bondman exonerated. Dated this 22 day of August, 1917.

M. Melville Johns, Administrator with Will Annexed.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. Sophia McConnell, Plaintiff, vs. Roy McConnell, Defendant. To Roy McConnell, defendant above named:

In the Name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled court and cause on or before Friday the 2nd day of November, 1917, which date is six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time, the plaintiff for want thereof will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in her said complaint, to wit, for a decree of the Court dissolving the bonds of matrimony between the plaintiff and the defendant, for a change of plaintiff's name and the restoration of the name of Sophia Cramer, and for other equitable relief.

This summons is published pursuant to an order made in this cause by Honorable Gilbert W. Phelps, Judge of the above entitled Court. The first publication of this summons will be made on Friday the 21st day of September, 1917, and the last publication on Friday the 2nd day of November, 1917, in the Athena Press newspaper. Dated this 15th day of September, A. D. 1917.

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GRAVEDIGGER BEETLES.

These Queer Insects Have a Remarkable Sense of Smell.

When an animal dies in a garden or in the woods and decomposition begins carrion bugs come from far and near. A dead bird, a mouse or a harmless snake wantonly killed by some wanderer provides a banquet for hundreds of insects. Among these the "gravediggers" are found, embracing forty-three species, twelve of which are found in Europe, the rest in America.

You can identify these beetles, says the Popular Science Monthly, by the two jagged yellowish red or reddish transverse bands upon their black wing covers. Their scientific name, necrophorus, means no more than "buriers of the dead." As undertakers the insect has been especially adapted for digging.

A gravedigger beetle has a most extraordinary sense of smell. He can detect the peculiar odor of decomposition a long distance away and flies to the dead thing as straight as an arrow. His remarkably keen nose is situated in his dublike feelers.

As a rule several gravediggers are found upon a dead body. They crawl under it and scratch the supporting earth away, so that the body soon lies in a hollow. Gradually the body is lowered until it sinks below the surface. Then it is covered with earth. The female lays her eggs around the interred form, thus insuring for the newly hatched larvae a plentiful food supply.

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